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The following is a summary of information on Soviet and East German military activities received prior to 8 May 1955:

A. General:

The transfer of Soviet units to summer camps continued.

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B. Soviet Activities:1. First Guards Mechanized Army:

The Soviet installations in Leipzig and Berna were occupied to capacity on 5 May. The summer camps near Koenigsbrueck were only lightly occupied.

2. Third Guards Mechanized Army:

Troops of the 7th Guards Tank Division were transferred to Juttorbeg in 42 shipments between 24 and 30 April. The Wittenberg post of the 6th Guards Tank Division was allegedly no longer occupied to capacity on 3 May. The engineer battalion of the division had moved to Appellonsdorf.

3. Fourth Guards Mechanized Army:

The army engineer units and the 6th Guards Mechanized Division were transferred to Letsling Heath on 3 and 4 May. Rear elements of the 25th Tank Division left Oranienburg between 26 April and 3 May. The Soviet installations in Prenzlau were still occupied to capacity prior to 29 April. On 4 May, 22 T-54 tanks were dispatched from Frankfurt/Oder to Satzkeim

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4. Eighth Guards Army:

The Soviet installations in Weimar and Jena were occupied to capacity prior to 1 May. The headquarters of the 57th Guards Rifle Division in Naumburg was apparently in the process of entraining on 3 May. Elements of AAA Regiment of the XXIX Guards Rifle Corps were entrained in Naumburg on the following day. A rifle battalion with seven tanks conducted an exercise at the Kindel troop training grounds on 29 April.

5. Third Shock Army:

The 304th Artillery Brigade was transferred in three shipments from Burg to Letzling Heath on 25 April. Six shipments with troops of the 207th Rifle Division were dispatched from Stendal to Altengrabow between 24 and 28 April. The bulk of the 18th Mechanized Division was moved in 38 shipments to Letzling Heath between 22 and 26 April. On 28 April, the Magdeburg garrison was still occupied to capacity by the 19th Guards Mechanized Division. On 3 and 4 May the Heavy Tank and SP Regiment and two shipments with elements of the 20th AT Artillery Brigade were transferred to Jaevenitz from Magdeburg and Brandenburg respectively.

6. IV Artillery Corps:

The 65th Mortar Brigade and the 25th Guards RL Brigade of the 6th Artillery Division were transferred from Rathenow to Altengrabow on 28 and 29 April. At least eight shipments with troops of the 34th Artillery Division were dispatched from Potsdam to Altengrabow on 3 and 4 May.

C. KVP Activities:

The induction of recruits was still in progress in late April. It has been learned that the 1937 class has been made eligible for recruitment. KVP training activity is at present confined to the post areas. A KVP unit with several hundred men was observed at the Kliets troop training grounds. No exercises, however, appeared to be taking place there.

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